

The Fundamentals of Working Equitation in the U.S.



See U.S. Rules for Working Equitation for complete requirements.

EOH Obstacle Requirements Summary

Obstacles	L1 Intro	L2 Nov A	L3 Nov B	L4 Inter A	L5 Inter B	L6 Adv	L7 Masters
Minimum required	8	10	10	12	12	15	15
Gait btw obstacles	T	С	С	С	С	С	С
1. Bridge	W	W	W	W	W	W	W
2. Figure 8	W or T	T	C, CT	C, SC or FC	C, FC	C, FC	C, FC
Reverse Figure 8					W	W	W
3. Pen	W	W	W	W	W or C	W or C	W or C
4. Jug							
5. Remove Pole	W or T	T	С	С	С	С	С
6. Spear Ring	W or T	T	С	С	С	С	С
7. Replace Pole	W or T	T	С	С	С	С	С
8. Switch Cup							
9. Bell Corridor	W	W or T	W or T	W or C	W or C	W or C	W or C
10. Reinback "L"		W or T	W or T	W or C	W or C	W or C	W or C
11. Rounding Posts	W	W or T	W or T	W or C	W or C	С	С
12. Single Slalom	T	T	T	C, SC or FC	C, FC	C, FC	C, FC
13. Double Slalom	W or T	T	T	C, SC or FC	C, FC	C, FC	C, FC
14. Gate	W	W	W	W	W	W	W
15. Jump	W or T	T or C	С	С	С	С	С
16. Sidepass Rail		W	W	W	W	W or C	W or C
17. Water	W	W	W	W	W	W	W
18. Bank		T or C	С	С	С	С	С
19. Drums	W or T	T	C, CT	C, SC or FC	C, FC	C, FC	C, FC

Note:

- 1. Obstacle numbers are for reference only; they are not intended to indicate sequential order.
- 2. W = walk; T = trot; C = canter; CT = change of lead thru trot; SC = simple change of lead (thru walk); FC = flying change of lead.
- 3. Any reference to gait (e.g., walk on the bridge) relates to the Ease of Handling trial only. There is no restriction on gait for any obstacle in the Speed trial unless designated by show management for the safety of horse or rider.
- 4. If there is a choice between gaits, the rider will be scored according to degree of difficulty. The score will be higher if the more difficult gait is chosen, assuming it is performed correctly. Exception: Either SC or FC is allowed equally for L4 on the Slaloms, Figure 8, and Drums. The choice of gait belongs to the rider; it is not specified in the course design.
- 5. Obstacles performed in an incorrect gait will result in a negative score.
- 6. Obstacles must be approached from the numbered side.
- L1 riders are limited to carrying the garrocha pole only in Remove Pole, Spear Ring, and Replace Pole obstacles.
- 8. L2 riders are not required to canter between any obstacles while handling the garrocha pole.